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Make Sure
It's Clean First

DESTRUCTIVE PLANT PES
OFTEN HITCHHIKE IN
CLINGING TO USED
FARM AND CONSTRUCTION
EQUIPMENT

MOVING EQUIPMENT?

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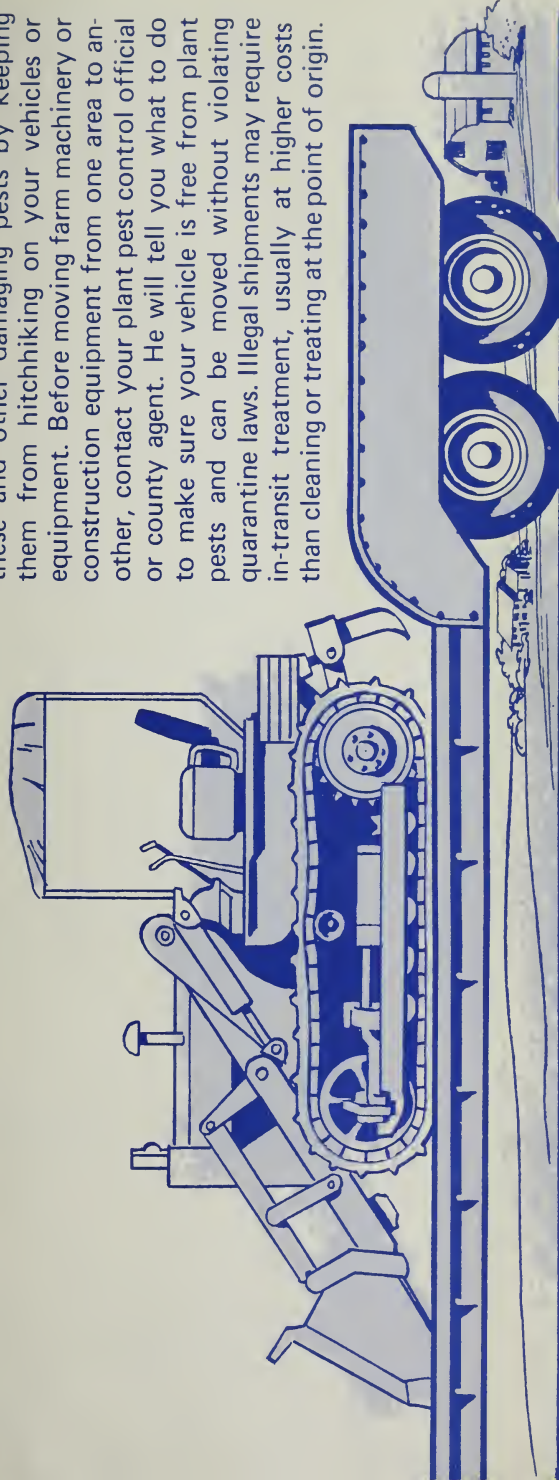


Make Sure Equipment is Clean Before You Move It Into New Areas...

Destructive plant pests, including insects, nematodes, and diseases, often "hitchhike" in soil or litter clinging to used farm and construction equipment. In this way, plant pests that cause severe damage to crops, gardens, and forests may be spread rapidly from one part of the country to another.

Damaging pests that can be spread rapidly by the movement of infested soil or litter include: Burrowing nematodes, cereal leaf beetles, European chafer, golden nematodes, Japanese beetles, imported fire ants, pink bollworms, soybean cyst nematodes, white-fringed beetles, and witchweed.

You can help stop the artificial spread of these and other damaging pests by keeping them from hitchhiking on your vehicles or equipment. Before moving farm machinery or construction equipment from one area to another, contact your plant pest control official or county agent. He will tell you what to do to make sure your vehicle is free from plant pests and can be moved without violating quarantine laws. Illegal shipments may require in-transit treatment, usually at higher costs than cleaning or treating at the point of origin.



**CONTACT YOUR PLANT PEST CONTROL OFFICIAL
OR COUNTY AGENT**

HE WILL TELL YOU WHAT TO DO TO MAKE SURE YOUR EQUIPMENT IS FREE FROM PESTS.

**Plant Pest Control Division
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HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF PLANT PESTS